

\$80,000,000 WAR ORDER IS PLACED IN PITTSBURGH

Pittsburgh Gets Largest Share of Allies' Demands for Materials and Cars.

\$635 Railroad and Passenger Coaches Included in List. Huge Amount of Supplies Also Asked by London Firm for Belligerents.

PITTSBURGH, Aug. 7.—Foreign orders increasing in value more than \$80,000,000 have been placed in the hands of Secretary Nordman, of the Pittsburgh Foreign Trade Commission, with the request that they be placed among Pittsburgh firms if it is possible to do so.

Probably the biggest single order of its kind ever proffered in this country is one for 555 railroad cars and passenger coaches, which Secretary Nordman is trying to place. According to the specifications, these cars and coaches will cost between \$10,000 and \$15,000 each.

Another large order calls for 14,421 kilograms (3 1/5 pounds equals a kilogram) of draw bars. This order Mr. Nordman expects to place tomorrow.

Other large orders are for 150 journal boxes, 107,147 kilograms of drawn springs, 307 units of axle boxes, 60,000 kilograms of boiler tubes and three locomotive fire-boxes.

Virtually all of the supplies wanted will be used for railway work. Mr. Nordman, while stating that he had not been pledged to acting in handling the orders, said that he understood the foreign governments who are seeking these supplies did not wish their connection made public.

From a concern which has been asked to bid on the draw bar order, however, it was learned that the supplies are sought by a London house, who is acting for the Allied governments.

Mr. Nordman also stated today that he turned over to firms in other cities several large orders for munitions, such as rifles and cartridges, which are not manufactured in this district.

HAYTI, SOME FACTS ABOUT THE TURBULENT REPUBLIC

The Republic of Hayti is in the western or French part of the island of San Domingo, which, next to Cuba, is the largest of the West India Islands.

Population is estimated at 2,500,000. Mountains are rocky and heavily timbered and susceptible to cultivation nearly to their summits.

It is probably the most fertile spot in the West Indies. Its harbors, especially Port au Prince, which is also its capital, offer considerable facilities for foreign trade.

Principal productions and exports are coffee, tobacco, sugar, cotton, hides, sugar, honey and gums. It is said to contain valuable mines of gold, silver, copper, tin and iron.

Principally, foreign trade is carried on with the United States, Great Britain, France and Germany. Population of Port au Prince is 100,000. Next largest town is Cape Haitien.

REPUBLIC UNDER U. S. CONTROL



Haiti and the Dominican Republic compose an island lying between Cuba and Porto Rico. The area of Haiti is 10,204 square miles, or slightly larger than that of Vermont.

Continued from Page One. The ability to rally in adversity. This has never been evidenced more strongly than at the present time.

Count Hrobnicki voiced the national feeling at the opening meeting of the Council of the Empire yesterday, when he made a speech ending thus: "We weep for the loss of Warsaw, but Russia does not say good-by, only au revoir."

With the Russian armies dealing heavy blows to the Austro-German forces as the latter attempt to press forward, there is being born a new spirit in Russia. It is a feeling of confident patriotism that is pervading even the lower classes.

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QUICK NEWS

GERARD ORDERED TO PROBE SEIZURE OF UNITED STATES SHIPS. WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—Ambassador Gerard, at Berlin, has been ordered by the State Department to make an inquiry into the reported seizure of the American steamers Llama and Wico by Germany.

GERMAN GARRISONS IN BELGIUM MUTINY. HAVRE, Aug. 7.—Serious mutinies have broken out in the German garrisons at Liege, Ghent and Bruges, according to advices received here today.

ITALIAN SUBMARINE REPORTED SUNK. PARIS, Aug. 7.—The Italian submarine Neriede is reported to have been sunk off Pelagos in the Adriatic Sea by an Austrian submarine, according to word received privately from Rome today.

P. R. R. ORDERS 94 LOCOMOTIVES. Orders for 94 locomotives representing an outlay of \$1,350,000 have been placed by the Pennsylvania Railroad. The locomotives will be constructed in the Juniata shops of the company at Altoona.

BOER PREACHER SENTENCED AS REBEL. PRETORIA, South Africa, Aug. 7.—"Parson" van Brockhuizen, the Boer preacher who took a prominent part in the South African revolt, was sentenced to two years' imprisonment for treason today.

FRANCIS JOSEPH ONCE MORE REPORTED ILL. LONDON, Aug. 7.—The Exchange Telegraph Company's Amsterdam correspondent says that a telegram received from Vienna reports that Emperor Francis Joseph has had a severe chill and is confined to his bed in the Schoenbrunn Castle. The condition of the Emperor, however, is said not to be alarming.

RUSSIAN REFUGES TO MAKE MUNITIONS. PETROGRAD, Aug. 7.—Prince Shakhovskoy, the Russian Minister of Trade and Commerce, plans the intensive utilization of such refugees as are skilled laborers in the production of military stores.

DECLINE IN TOURIST TRADE COSTS EUROPE \$25,000,000. LONDON, Aug. 7.—Because there has been no American tourist invasion this year Europe has lost fully \$25,000,000, according to a prominent steamship official.

NEUTRALS MAY CONVENE PEACE COUNCIL AT THE HAGUE. AMSTERDAM, Aug. 7.—It is learned from The Hague that the Anti-War Council there has been privately informed by certain neutral governments that they were ready to convene a permanent peace conference to be composed of special representatives from each country.

DESERTING BRITISH CAPTAIN KILLED FIGHTING IN RANKS. LONDON, Aug. 7.—Captain H. S. Smart, of the British army in India, left his regiment there, and under an assumed name joined the British expeditionary force in France as a private, and as a private died bravely in battle.

SWARS BRITISH SHIP FLEW AMERICAN FLAG. NEW YORK, Aug. 7.—The German Information Service of this city has given out an affidavit purporting to be signed by the American wireless operator of the British steamship Masconome, accusing the commander of disguising that vessel to represent the American ship Texas, and of flying the American flag through the war zone last March.

CRUISER MARYLAND SAILS TO RAISE F-4. WASHINGTON, Aug. 7.—The cruiser Maryland sailed today for Honolulu to resume efforts to raise submarine F-4.

ARCHBISHOP IRELAND TO BE CARDINAL, IS REPORT. PARIS, Aug. 7.—A dispatch from Rome says an Italian news agency announces that Archbishop Ireland will be made a cardinal at the next consistory.

FRENCH WAITING TO HIT KAISER CRUSHING BLOW. Continues from Page One. They do, let them look out!

Continued from Page One. One is vividly impressed by the spirit of determination everywhere prevalent in the French ranks after a year of the war. Men and officers agree that another year of the war is a practical certainty.

Continued from Page One. Both are most cheerful over the French prospects. They say they are so used to campaigning now that they fear they will find peaceful pursuits tame when the war ends.

Continued from Page One. All along the battle front the trenches and the villages back of the lines have been renovated to add to the comfort of the soldiers, further evidence that the time is ripe for a long and a more complete power of the French officers. It was conducted through subterranean passages nearly 200 feet below the surface of the fort, where the siege preparations comprised everything from food and shell to arist mines, waterworks, hospitals, a cinema plant and sleeping quarters for the entire staff as well as the military population.

Continued from Page One. The Military Governor and his staff were working 100 feet underground in an office of considerable size, directly beneath the citadel. The Governor explained that the precautions were being taken, not because Verdun was actually under attack, but because on June 4, 25 300-cannon shells were hurled on the long-range guns that shelled Dunkirk from a distance of about 50 miles.

Continued from Page One. "I am not a man of great nerves," he explained, "but I was able to work without regard for possible dangers, and it was also possible for the civil population to find refuge underground if the bombardment was repeated."

Continued from Page One. Subsequently I was shown through the outlying forts and munition factories. A French officer offered me a color picture and working drawing of a new bomb, which I refused as useless to me. I was shown several new kinds of mortars and strange shells and to examine miles of gas-tight communication lines. Apparently nothing was a secret.

Continued from Page One. "We are ready for any move," said one of the officer escorts, "but we are in no hurry. Time is working for us. We can break the German line any minute we want to, but the operation would be costly. We prefer to wait and see whether they try to break our line. They are

VERDUN DEFENSES UNDER HEAVY FIRE OF GERMAN GUNS

Terrific Bombardment French Lines From Verdun Argonne to Meuse Heights Begun by A. of Crown Prince.

PARIS, Aug. 7.—Ever growing fierceness marks the German offensive in the Argonne region. The French War Office in a communiqué today states that the most violent character is the place in the Argonne.

Another German assault was made on the French position at the 213, but it was repulsed. The army of the German Crown Prince is attempting to isolate Verdun by cutting its lines of communication to the west, has been bombarding the French lines with the most intense, guns of all calibre.

The text of the communiqué follows: "The night passed quietly on the front. There were no serious attacks. The enemy's activity around Bouchard and artillery combats the regions of Tracy le Val and au-Bac.

"In the western part of the Argonne a fierce fight continues with persistent bombs in enemy attacks repulsed in the region of Hill No. 213. In Lorrairie a strong German offensive was broken up by our fire. In the Vosges nothing has been reported."

AMERICANS IN FOREIGN LEGION ARE PRISONERS. French Orderly Brings Word of Four Comrades.

PARIS, Aug. 7.—It now seems certain that four Americans of the famous First Regiment of Foreign Legion, captured by the Germans on June 15, are prisoners in Germany. They are Kenneth Week, Rual Kelly, Lawrence Scanlon and John C. Smith.

The news was brought to Paris by an orderly of the regiment's colonel, while lying on the field of battle, shattered leg, was picked up by the German Red Cross. His leg was amputated in a field hospital and he was released.

Continued from Page One. The orderly, Battalion 10 of the Legion, in which the Americans were fighting on June 15, broke through the German lines left of Cabestre. The Germans re-formed on both sides, attacking in force, and by the use of shells and machine-gun fire made reinforcements or retreat impossible.

CARRANZA AND VILLA OFFER TO TALK PEACE. Continues from Page One. Carranza and Villa offers far more. He is willing even to eliminate himself as an aspirant to power in the Republic, provided Carranza will make an equal sacrifice of personal ambition.

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Continued from Page One. No date had been set today for a resumption of the conference in New York. Secretary Lansing stated that he hoped they could get together by the middle of next week, but that will be contingent on the rapidly with which some of the American receive instructions. It is understood that complete reports of all the important places have been sent to the home capitals by the dignitaries. An approved plan for another appeal this time a joint one—the Mexicans get together in the interest of peace. But so far as further action was considered, the majority of the Ambassadors and Ministers were without authority to act.

Continued from Page One. Meanwhile Secretary Lansing will prepare the new appeal. It is to be couched in stronger language than was the appeal of the President. The plan is to have it circulated generally throughout Mexico and to serve copies of Carranza, Villa and Zapata. This appeal will point out that Mexico's right to settle her own troubles is recognized, but it will also state that in the interests of friendship the "other republics" are constrained to demand that this settlement take place at once.

Continued from Page One. Three of the conferees very frankly warned Secretary Lansing that laying an embargo on arms might prove a serious matter. They asked him to position of the United States would be the event that an arms embargo enforced against every faction except the Carranza government it was planned to recognize, and that Carranza would be recognized as the government. This was not the matter that went over for further consideration.

Continued from Page One. With General Scott on the border the artillery massed at strategic points, the United States is expected to be in a position that never before in the history of the nations the necessity of getting together can handle Villa's situation, and he is the fighting type that Carranza generally admires. Because this there would be no surprise that the inter-commissioned to begin mediation. This is what he has so far said to do, and he has so told Secretary Lansing.

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